Yulin Wang

Education

Department of Automation, Tsinghua University

Ph.D. Student in Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning

2019 – 2025 (expected)

- Advisor: Prof. Cheng Wu and Prof. Gao Huang.

School of Automation Science and Electrical Engineering, Beihang University

B.Eng. in Automation

2015 - 2019

- GPA Top 1/231.
- Awarded "Shen Yuan" Medal by Beihang Univ. (Top 10 of 18,000+ undergraduate students).

Research Experience

Berkeley Deep Drive, University of California, Berkeley

Research Intern

2018

- Advisor: Dr. Ching-Yao Chan.

Lab of Intelligent Manufacturing, Beihang University

Research Intern

2017 - 2018

- Advisor: Prof. Fei Tao.

Research Interests

Yulin Wang focuses on addressing the challenges of *computational efficiency* and *data efficiency* in building large-scale deep learning models (*e.g.*, visual/multi-modal foundation models, generative models, and embodied foundation models for robotics). He draws inspiration from *data diversity*:

- Computation-efficient inference of large models. Improving the efficiency of large model inference by adaptively adjusting inference strategies and computational graphs based on the *diversified* test data (*e.g.*, employing spatial-temporal dynamic computation akin to human vision).
- Efficient and effective training of large foundation models. Investigating how deep networks learn to exploit the *diversified* discriminative patterns in data. Based on these insights, developing novel algorithms to train large models more efficiently stably, and effectively.
- Data-efficient learning/fine-tuning of large models. Reducing the expensive cost of collecting
 high-quality training data or fine-tuning data (e.g., for transfer learning, supervised fine-tuning,
 or alignment with human preferences) by augmenting the diversity of relatively small datasets.

Publications

Yulin Wang has published a number of works in top-tier conferences & journals in the fields of machine learning and computer vision, including *TPAMI* (6), *IJCV* (1), NeurIPS (5), ICLR (1), ICCV (6), CVPR (5), and ECCV (2). Two of his papers were selected for "*Oral Presentation*" (acceptance rate: 3-4%) by ICCV and CVPR, respectively. He has collected more than 2,400 citations according to Google Scholar. In addition, he has actively released the code for his published papers, and has received more than 1.5k stars on GitHub. The detailed publication list is presented in the following (starting from the next page, categorized by the three sub-topics in "Research Interests").

I. Publications (1/4) – Computation-efficient inference of large models

- [1-4] Yulin Wang, Haoji Zhang, Yang Yue, Shiji Song, Chao Deng, Junlan Feng, Gao Huang Uni-AdaFocus: Spatial-temporal Dynamic Computation for Video Recognition IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI, IF_{5-year}=22.2), 2024
 - Yulin Wang, Yang Yue, Xinhong Xu, Ali Hassani, Victor Kulikov, Nikita Orlov, Shiji Song, Humphrey Shi, Gao Huang
 - AdaFocus V3: On Unified Spatial-temporal Dynamic Video Recognition European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022
 - Yulin Wang, Yang Yue, Yuanze Lin, Haojun Jiang, Zihang Lai, Victor Kulikov, Nikita Orlov, Humphrey Shi, Gao Huang
 - AdaFocus V2: End-to-End Training of Spatial Dynamic Networks for Video Recognition *IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition* (*CVPR*), 2022
 - Yulin Wang, Zhaoxi Chen, Haojun Jiang, Shiji Song, Yizeng Han, Gao Huang
 Adaptive Focus for Efficient Video Recognition

 IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV Oral, acceptance rate: 3%), 2021
 Code Link (210 stars in total) / Paper Link (176 citations in total)
- [5-6] Gao Huang*, **Yulin Wang***, Kangchen Lv, Haojun Jiang, Wenhui Huang, Pengfei Qi, Shiji Song [*co-first author with my advisor]
 - Glance and Focus Networks for Dynamic Visual Recognition
 - *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* (*TPAMI*, *IF*_{5-year}=22.2), 2023
 - Yulin Wang, Kangchen Lv, Rui Huang, Shiji Song, Le Yang, Gao Huang
 Glance and Focus: A Dynamic Approach to Reducing Spatial Redundancy in Image Classification
 - Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2020 Code Link (181 stars) / Paper Link (193 citations in total)
 - [7] Yulin Wang, Rui Huang, Shiji Song, Zeyi Huang, Gao Huang Not All Images are Worth 16x16 Words: Dynamic Transformers for Efficient Image Recognition Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021 Code Link (245 stars) / Paper Link (223 citations)
 - [8] Yang Yue*, Yulin Wang*, Bingyi Kang, Yizeng Han, Shenzhi Wang, Shiji Song, Jiashi Feng, Gao Huang [*co-first author, supervising Yang Yue (junior Ph.D. student)]
 Dynamic Inference of Multimodal Large Language Models for Efficient Robot Execution
 Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024
 - [9] Zanlin Ni*, Yulin Wang*, Renping Zhou, Yizeng Han, Jiayi Guo, Zhiyuan Liu, Yuan Yao, Gao Huang [*co-first author, supervising Zanlin Ni (junior Ph.D. student)]

 ENAT: Rethinking Spatial-temporal Interactions in Token-based Image Synthesis

 Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024
- [10] Zanlin Ni*, **Yulin Wang***, Renping Zhou, Rui Lu, Jiayi Guo, Jinyi Hu, Zhiyuan Liu, Yuan Yao, Gao Huang [*co-first author, supervising Zanlin Ni (junior Ph.D. student)] **AdaNAT:** Exploring Adaptive Policy for Token-Based Image Generation

 European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2024
- [11] Zanlin Ni*, **Yulin Wang***, Renping Zhou, Jiayi Guo, Jinyi Hu, Zhiyuan Liu, Shiji Song, Yuan Yao, Gao Huang [*co-first author, supervising Zanlin Ni (junior Ph.D. student)]

 Revisiting Non-Autoregressive Transformers for Efficient Image Synthesis

 IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2024

- [12] Yizeng Han, Gao Huang, Shiji Song, Le Yang, Honghui Wang, **Yulin Wang Dynamic Neural Networks: A Survey** *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* (*TPAMI*, *IF*_{5-year}=22.2), 2022

 Paper Link (664 citations)
- [13] Ziwei Zheng, Le Yang, **Yulin Wang**, Miao Zhang, Lijun He, Gao Huang, Fan Li **Dynamic Spatial Focus for Efficient Compressed Video Action Recognition** *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology (TCSVT, IF*_{5-year}=7.1), 2023
- [14] Yizeng Han, Dongchen Han, Zeyu Liu, Yulin Wang, Xuran Pan, Yifan Pu, Chao Deng, Junlan Feng, Shiji Song, Gao Huang Dynamic Perceiver for Efficient Visual Recognition IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023
- [15] Yifan Pu, Yiru Wang, Zhuofan Xia, Yizeng Han, Yulin Wang, Weihao Gan, Zidong Wang, Shiji Song, Gao Huang Adaptive Rotated Convolution for Rotated Object Detection IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023

II. Publications (2/4) – Efficient and effective training of large foundation models

- [16-17] Yulin Wang, Yang Yue, Rui Lu, Yizeng Han, Shiji Song, Gao Huang
 EfficientTrain++: Generalized Curriculum Learning for Efficient Visual Backbone Training
 IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI, IF_{5-year}=22.2), 2024
 - Yulin Wang, Yang Yue, Rui Lu, Tianjiao Liu, Zhao Zhong, Shiji Song, Gao Huang EfficientTrain: Exploring Generalized Curriculum Learning for Training Visual Backbones IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023
 Code Link (197 stars) / Paper Link (26 citations in total)
 - [18] Yulin Wang, Zanlin Ni, Shiji Song, Le Yang, Gao Huang Revisiting Locally Supervised Learning: An Alternative to End-to-end Training International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2021

Code Link (89 stars) / Paper Link (88 citations)

[19] Zanlin Ni*, Yulin Wang*, Jiangwei Yu, Haojun Jiang, Yue Cao, Gao Huang [*co-first author, supervising Zanlin Ni (junior Ph.D. student)]
Deep Incubation: Training Large Models by Divide-and-Conquering
IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023

III. Publications (3/4) – Data-efficient learning/fine-tuning of large models

- [20-21] Yulin Wang, Gao Huang, Shiji Song, Xuran Pan, Yitong Xia, Cheng Wu Regularizing Deep Networks with Semantic Data Augmentation IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI, IF_{5-year}=22.2), 2022
 - Yulin Wang, Xuran Pan, Shiji Song, Hong Zhang, Cheng Wu, Gao Huang Implicit Semantic Data Augmentation for Deep Networks
 Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2019

 Code Link (582 stars) / Paper Link (367 citations in total)
 - [22] Chaoqun Du, **Yulin Wang**, Shiji Song, Gao Huang **Probabilistic Contrastive Learning for Long-Tailed Visual Recognition** *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* (*TPAMI*, *IF*_{5-year}=22.2), 2024

- [23-24] Mixue Xie, Shuang Li, Kaixiong Gong, Yulin Wang, Gao Huang Adapting Across Domains via Target-Oriented Transferable Semantic Augmentation Under Prototype Constraint
 - *International Journal of Computer Vision* (*IJCV*, *IF*_{5-year}=14.5), 2023
 - Shuang Li, Mixue Xie, Kaixiong Gong, Chi Harold Liu, Yulin Wang, Wei Li
 Transferable Semantic Augmentation for Domain Adaptation

 IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR Oral, acceptance rate: 4%), 2021
 - [25] Yifan Pu, Yizeng Han, **Yulin Wang**, Junlan Feng, Chao Deng, Gao Huang **Fine-grained Recognition with Learnable Semantic Data Augmentation** *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (TIP, IF*_{5-year}=12.1), 2023
 - [26] Wenxuan Ma, Shuang Li, Jinming Zhang, Chi Harold Liu, Jingxuan Kang, Yulin Wang, Gao Huang Borrowing Knowledge From Pre-trained Language Model: A New Data-efficient Visual Learning Paradigm IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023
 - [27] Shuang Li, Kaixiong Gong, Chi Harold Liu, **Yulin Wang**, Feng Qiao, Xinjing Cheng MetaSAug: Meta Semantic Augmentation for Long-Tailed Visual Recognition *IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR*), 2021

IV. Publications (4/4) – Other publications

- [28] Ziwei Zheng, Zechuan Zhang, Yulin Wang, Shiji Song, Gao Huang, Le Yang Rethinking the Architecture Design for Efficient Generic Event Boundary Detection ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM), 2024
- [29] Yulin Wang, Yizeng Han, Chaofei Wang, Shiji Song, Qi Tian, Gao Huang
 Computation-efficient Deep Learning for Computer Vision: A Survey
 Cybernetics and Intelligence (sponsored by the Department of Automation, Tsinghua University), 2023
- [30] Yulin Wang, Jiayi Guo, Jiangshan Wang, Cheng Wu, Shiji Song, Gao Huang Meta-Semi: A Meta-Learning Approach for Semi-Supervised Learning CAAI Artificial Intelligence Research (sponsored by Chinese Association for Artificial Intelligence), 2022
- [31] Wenxuan Ma, Jinming Zhang, Shuang Li, Chi Harold Liu, Yulin Wang, Wei Li
 Making the Best of Both Worlds: A Domain-Oriented Transformer for Unsupervised Domain
 Adaptation
 ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM), 2022
- [32] Le Yang, Haojun Jiang, Ruojin Cai, **Yulin Wang**, Shiji Song, Gao Huang, Qi Tian CondenseNet V2: Sparse Feature Reactivation for Deep Networks

 IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021
- [33] **Yulin Wang**, Rui Huang, Gao Huang, Shiji Song, Cheng Wu Collaborative Learning with Corrupted Labels
 Neural Networks (NN, IF_{5-year}=7.9), 2020
- [34] Yulin Wang, Yongping Zhang, Fei Tao, Tingyu Chen, Ying Cheng, Shunkun Yang Logistics-aware Manufacturing Service Collaboration Optimization towards Industrial Internet Platform

 International Journal of Production Research (IJPR, IF_{5-year}=8.3), 2019

Selected Awards and Honors

0	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China (4th time, Top 2% in Tsinghua University)	2023
0	ByteDance Scholarship, ByteDance Ltd. (10 Ph.D. students in China)	2022
0	Microsoft Research Ph.D. Fellowship, Microsoft Research Asia (12 Ph.D. students in the Asia-Pacific region)	2022
0	"Li Yanda" Scholarship, Tsinghua University (4 Ph.D. students in the Department of Automation, Tsinghua University)	2022
0	Baidu Scholarship, Baidu Inc. (10 Ph.D. students worldwide)	2021
0	CCF-CV Outstanding Young Researcher Award, China Computer Federation (CCF) (3 Ph.D./MS students in China)	2021
0	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China (3rd time, Top 2% in Tsinghua University)	2021
0	Outstanding Oral Presentation, Doctoral Students Forum, Tsinghua University	2021
0	Travel Award, NeurIPS	2019
0	"Shen Yuan" Medal, Beihang University (Top 10 of 18,000+ undergraduate students in Beihang University)	2018
0	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China (2nd time, Top 2% in Beihang University)	2018
0	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of China (1st time, Top 2% in Beihang University)	2017
0	"Gong Xin" Innovation Scholarship, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of China (Top 1/231 in Beihang University)	a 2017
0	First Prize, "Zhou Peiyuan" Mechanics Competition for Undergraduate Students (Top 0.3%)	2017
0	First Prize, National Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (Top 0.2%)	2017
0	Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Performance, Beihang University (Top 5% in Beihang University)	- 2019

Industrial Applications

China Mobile Research Institute

Project – Efficient Inference of Deep Learning Models based on Dynamic Networks

2021 – Present

- Detecting harmful online images/videos (e.g., violent, pornographic, or other adult-only contents):
 - Improving real throughput by 3.4x without sacrificing accuracy or increasing inference cost.
- Smart city scenario real-time surveillance systems (e.g., detecting the violent behaviors of pedestrians):
 - **Reducing real latency by 3.0x** on practical edge computing hardware without sacrificing accuracy.
- Award for Frontier Exploration, China Mobile Research Institute, 2023

Ministry of Science and Technology of China under Grant 2018AAA0101604

Sub-project – Data-efficient Machine Learning for Production Line Status Monitoring

2018 - 2023

- Fault diagnosis for real production lines:
 - Improving the generalization performance of deep networks significantly.

Academic Service

- o Reviewer for TPAMI, IJCV, TCYB, TNNLS, TCSVT, Pattern Recognition, TMLR, ...
- o Reviewer for ICML, NeurIPS, ICLR, CVPR, ICCV, ECCV, AAAI, ...
 - Outstanding Reviewer, CVPR, 2021
- Co-sponsor of the Special Interest Group on Dynamic Neural Networks, Beijing Academy of Artificial Intelligence (BAAI).
 - https://littlepure2333.github.io/dynamic-neural-network
 - Core members include more than 20 researchers from 8 universities. We have organized more than 30 academic reports and tutorials. The cumulative audience has exceeded 1,000.

Invited Talks and Presentations

- 2023.09, Tsinghua-Berkeley Shenzhen Institute, Tsinghua University, Dynamic Inference of Neural Networks
- 2023.02, School of Automation, Beijing Institute of Technology, Vision Transformers Meet Dynamic Inference
- o 2021.12, PRCV 2021, Dynamic Deep Networks for Reducing Spatial Redundancy
- 2021.10, School of Computer Science, Fudan University, Dynamic Deep Networks for Reducing Spatial Redundancy
- o 2021.09, Aibee (invited by Yuanqing Lin), Semantic Data Augmentation
- o 2021.06, AI Time, Locally Supervised Deep Learning
- o 2021.04, Beijing Academy of Artificial Intelligence, Dynamic Image/Video Recognition
- o 2021.03, ByteDance Ltd., Semantic Data Augmentation
- o 2020.11, Qingyuan Seminar, Glance and Focus Networks
- o 2020.06, Huawei Technologies Ltd., Glance and Focus Networks
- 2019.10, School of Computer Science and Engineering, Beihang University, Semantic Data Augmentation